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- Troop locations at Seoul include: 1.
  - One thousand North Korean (NK) troops in Sotaemun Primary School with one anti-aircraft (AA) gun (caliber unknown) and one heavy machine gun
  - Five hundred NK troops and some members of the political staff in the Korean Printing Company building in Sotaemun-ku.
  - Five hundred NK troops quartered in civilian houses along the north bank of the Han River between Yongsan and Tangin-ri railroad stations.
  - One hundred NK troops on the south side of Somibong Hill (126-53, 37-32) and 100 on the river side of the hill.
- The guns reported in Seoul are at the following locations: 2.
  - Two guns, probably 76-mm., in Hyochang, Chongpa-dong. a.
  - About 10 AA guns on the hill between Hyochang Park and Mapo. ba
  - Five AA guns mounted on Seoul South Hill (127-00, 37-31). c.
  - Two artillery pieces, size unknown, in the vicinity of Oso-ri (126-47, 37-32), pointing west toward Inchon. d.
- Most of the buildings at Kimpo airfield are destroyed. At least one runway was usable on 15 August and two NK aircraft, stationed at the field had their engines tested on that date. There are about 25 bunkers for planes around the field. Each bunker is open at the front, is about 4 meters wide at the base, 4 meters high, with sides approximately 15 meters long and slanting out from the back.

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- 4. Troops stationed in the Seoul area includes
  - a. About 100 NK troops at the main entrance to Kimpo base and about 100 more north of the base.
  - b. About 100 troops in Yangchon (126-50, 37-34).
  - c. About 200 troops in Ascom City (sic) in the former ROK army hospital.
- 5. There is a volunteer training school in the former Banjon Factory building, Sosa-myon (126-48, 37-28), and there are 500 students, 40 teachers, and about 100 troops on guard duty at the school.
- 6. Except for the political opportunists, most of the Seoul residents, including the middle and working classes, are waiting for the return of the ROK army.

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